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Cornerstone Laying

Bridgeport Elks will take an active part tonight in the cornerstone exercises to be held at the new Derby lodge, B. P. O. 22, at Derby. Among those who will take active part are Daniel J. Clifford, Exalted Ruler of Bridgeport Lodge 26, Lieut. Gov. Clifford B. Wilson and Loren Delbridge. They will remain at a banquet and later return to this city by automobile. About 50 will go from this city.

STEPNEY

Mrs. Isaac Drew has closed her home here and will live this winter in New Haven.

Mrs. L. C. Gilbert of Newtown has spent some time as the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Milton B. Hawley. Miss Marjorie Slater and pupils of the Judd's school are preparing for Christmas exercises to be held at the school house some evening during Christmas week.

A large number of the women of the Baptist church held a meeting at the home of Mrs. Herbert Joyce last Thursday.

Mrs. William Craft is at the home of Edward Lee caring for Mrs. Lee, who for the last week has been ill.

Mrs. Davis has returned to Seton, L. I. after a visit with her daughter, Mrs. George Smith. Jesse Lewis, who has been confined to the house by illness for the last few weeks, is now able to be out of doors.

The girls club of the Methodist church is rehearsing for a play which will be presented at the entertainment given on Dec. 15.

Mrs. Arthur J. Hull and Mrs. Arthur Tyrrell were guests Friday of Mrs. Harry Morgan.

James Ackerman spent Wednesday in Bridgeport.

Miss June Lynch of Bridgeport was an over-Sunday guest at her home here.

The regular prayer meeting of the Methodist church will be held Wednesday evening. After the service there will be a rehearsal of the Christmas music.

John Roberts has moved his goods from Easton and is now occupying part of David Paine's house.

Selectman Beardsley and force of men have been repairing roads in this section during the last week.

Charles Hawley has been building an addition on his barn.

Mr. and Mrs. George Clineau have left town and will spend the winter in New York.

The sewing club of the Gregory Orchard school held a chicken supper Saturday. Those present were Miss Mary Pedersen, Maude Lewis, Stevie Lisk, Alma Peck, Gladys Peck, Marion and Agnes Bolmer, Clayton Lewis, Andrew Urbanosky and Raymond Bolmer.

Herbert O. Clough of Deep River has visited several schools in town.

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M'CALL REMOVED
GOV. WHITMAN
FOR STOCK DEAL

Albany, Dec. 7.—Edward Everett McCall, former Supreme Court Justice, was removed as Chairman of the First District Public Service Commission by Gov. Charles S. Whitman early last evening.

McCall ceased to be a Commissioner at 7 p. m., when the Governor's order of removal was filed with the Secretary of State, whose office had been kept open late for the purpose.

Gov. Whitman today designated Commissioner William Hayward, his own appointee of April 1 last, manager of his gubernatorial campaign, Chairman to serve temporarily in McCall's place.

The Governor is undecided as to whether he will eventually designate Hayward permanently. He indicated that within a day or two he will select a Commissioner to succeed McCall.

McCall was dismissed for one reason—because the Governor believes that there was not made a technical compliance with the law of the 337 shares of stock in the Kings County Electric Light and Power Company which McCall has insisted he turned over to his wife before he took oath as Commissioner.

All the additional charges, eight in number, with their accompanying nineteen specifications, are dismissed by Gov. Whitman, who in the opinion filed with the order of removal virtually convicts McCall of stock ownership on his own testimony before the Thompson legislative committee.

The Governor's opinion, however, makes it explicit that further charges were not considered, as he found sufficient cause for action in one alone.

Even if McCall had legally transferred the electric lighting stock to his wife, it is probable that Mr. Whitman would have removed him, as he says in his opinion that "whereas it appears that the law it still would have been in defiance of its spirit."

The most serious reflection by the Governor upon McCall treats of his neglect to affix stock transfer stamps to the certificates when handed over to Mrs. McCall. The Governor first quotes the State law fixing this neglect as a misdemeanor punishable by a fine of \$1,000 and imprisonment for six months, or both, then comments:

"Therefore, if we assume there was such a transfer, we have this situation: A former Justice of the State Court, when an offense is charged against him, offers as a defense that he has committed another."

Escapes Penalty by Limitation
"If it be true that he transferred this stock to his wife, and that he wrote a memorandum at that time setting forth his purpose to transfer, his failure to pay the tax required by law was a misdemeanor for which he could be imprisoned for six months."

"Of course, the fact that the statute of limitations protects him now from prosecution has no bearing upon the question involved."

"I am entirely willing to accept the statement that his (McCall's) carelessness, which covered a period of two years, is alone responsible for the compromising situation in which he is placed."

The tendency of the Governor not to deal too harshly with McCall—attributing McCall's dereliction to "carelessness"—is further evidenced by his lessening in the opinion that he has "no desire to question the truth of his statement that he intended to transfer the stock to his wife," but the Governor adds that "there is no evidence anywhere of the slightest desire to comply with the elementary legal requirements."

Declaring that he believes "the public interest requires that the spirit as well as the letter of the law shall be faithfully carried out," Mr. Whitman states that as governor it is his duty under the constitution "to take care that the laws be faithfully executed."

One Charge Is Sufficient.
This constitutional requirement, the governor asserts, "compels me to see to it, so far as I am able, that those holding office under the government of this state should conform in their official conduct not only to the technical requirements of the statute, but to the manifest spirit of the law, which must be recognized and conformity to it full and hearty thereof are to accrue to the people."

The closing words of Mr. Whitman's opinion are:

"I find that this charge is sustained, and I direct the removal of the Commissioner. Having sustained this charge, the other charges and the specifications thereunder, for the purposes of the record and for conformity to the statute, are hereby dismissed."

Gov. Whitman announced his decision removing McCall shortly before 7 o'clock to the newspaper men who called at the executive mansion. He became nervous when he was in the Pink Room as he was about to go out to dinner.

Distributing typewritten copies of the order of removal and his opinion, the governor explained:

"My secretary, Mr. Orr, will file the order with the secretary of state at 7 o'clock. With the filing of the order, Mr. McCall ceases to be a Commissioner—automatically removed."

McCall Not Notified.
"Will it be necessary to serve a copy of the order and the opinion upon Mr. McCall?" was asked.

"No, that is not necessary," explained the governor, "but, as a matter of courtesy to McCall, this will be done, probably tomorrow."

"I had intended," said the governor, "to file the order of removal at 7 o'clock this afternoon, but because it became necessary for me to study the record very closely before putting the finishing touches on my opinion, I was delayed in doing so until this hour."

Governor Whitman then announced his purpose to designate Commissioner Hayward as temporary chairman.

"Might we assume," was asked "that Mr. Hayward's designation will later be made permanent?"

"I shall designate him temporarily," answered Mr. Whitman. "There are the names of several men before me both for commissioner to succeed Mr. McCall and also for chairman, and I can say nothing about either at this time."

Mr. Hayward, in any event, will serve as chairman for the time being.

"How long will that be?"

"It may be for a day or two and it may be for much longer," replied the governor.

The impression here is that the governor is inclined strongly to the appointment of Oliver C. Semple, assistant counsel to the First District Commission, a Republican, to McCall's place. If the governor names Semple, this will make certain Hayward's permanent selection as chairman.

Referring to the possible appointment of Semple, Senator Thompson, chairman of the legislative investigating committee, said at the Baltimore last night that he would oppose the appointment, even to the extent of objecting to its confirmation by the Senate.

McCall having been removed for violation of the law in the alleged transfer of stock in a public utility corporation under the jurisdiction of the commission, the fate of Commissioner Wood appears sealed.

Wood, like McCall, transferred stock without affixing transfer tax stamps, and the case against him in this respect is similar to that developed against McCall.

CAPTAIN SILENT
ON POSITION OF
DISABLED SHIP

San Francisco, Dec. 7.—Shipping men are mystified today by the refusal of Captain Garlick of the disabled Great Northern steamship Minnesota, to reveal the exact position of the drifting vessel. It is expected, however, that definite information will be received by the Coast Guard and the salvage steamer Inga which left here Friday to go to the assistance of the crippled freighter and which are expected to reach her early today.

The Minnesota's position early yesterday was given as 40 miles north of Cedros Island, off the coast of Lower California. Captain Garlick refused to give the noon position of the vessel when local shipping men sought to check up on the position of the Minnesota, had progressed only 99 miles from Thursday morning to midnight Saturday and reports from the vessel yesterday indicated that all her boilers were out of commission.

The opinion was expressed here by C. W. Wiley, marine superintendent of the Great Northern Steamship Co., that chemicals placed in the water might have caused the breakdown of the Minnesota.

MEXICANS PUT BAN
ON OPIUM IN MAILS

Los Angeles, Dec. 7.—Transmission of opium in any form through the mails destined for the United States has been prohibited by the postoffice department of Mexico, according to advices received here today by the United States customs office.

For more than a year customs officials here have sought to obtain the adoption of this rule, to bar the opium traffic both in Mexico and in the United States.

Large quantities of opium, according to custom officials, have been smuggled by means of the mails from Mexico into the ports of San Diego, Los Angeles, San Francisco, Portland and Seattle.

CAMPAIGN IN SERBIA
UNIMPORTANT, HE SAYS

Paris, Dec. 7.—The Athens correspondent of the Figaro sends an interview which he had with M. Balouditch, Serbian minister to Greece, concerning the Teutonic campaign in the Balkans, as follows:

"The object of the campaign are the more fronts of the German fight on the more rapidly they exhaust themselves. The object of the Balkan undertaking was to strike the union and force peace. One of the neutrals colleagues informed me that Germany asked a powerful Pacific organization in his country to start a movement in favor of peace but that his government was opposed to the movement, which can be obtained from any drugist and should always be kept handy. Hindle's drug store."

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HOW SPEED AND
HILLS TAX CARS

Chronic Speeder Must Bear in Mind He Is Putting His Auto to Severe Trials

Most of us know the motorist who, imagining himself a miniature Rosta or Oldfield, will tear through the town with a wide-open throttle, in gleeful realization of the fact that his machine, by being pushed to the very limit of its capabilities, will attain and maintain a speed of a mile a minute, or even more.

It is to the everlasting credit of the automobile that these exultations of speed may be continued with comparative impunity for a considerable time. However, he who is familiar with railroad mechanics and knows the intervals within which the average locomotive goes to the round-house for repairs understands that though the locomotive travels on an ideal road surface which is not interrupted by the slightest inequality, every demand upon the engine beyond the normal service conditions for which it was designated must result in abnormal wear and tear.

The point is not often made, but is worthy of attention, that for purposes of transportation it is impossible to consider the motor vehicle apart from the road on which it travels; the one is as necessary as the other. Unfortunately, the mechanism of an automobile rests not on the brick foundations of a stationary engine, nor on the ideally conditioned steel rails of the railroad, but on the ordinary road surface which changes during every second of running. True the modern automobile acquires itself nobly of its tasks, when used sensibly. But the chronic speeder, who is apt to be disgruntled at what to him may seem unreasonable wear and tear, must bear in mind that he is putting his car to severe trials every time he races it over the ever-changing road surface with every ounce of reserve power in action.

Similar observations may be in order in regard to hill-climbing. The persistent high-speed hill-climbing is first cousin to the screeper. Climbing every hill on the high gear, while it may be done, imposes the hardest kind of work not only on the motor, but on every other part of the car. The lower gear ratios are provided for hill-climbing, and they should be used for it. It may be well to consider a little more carefully the amount of work done by an automobile climbing a gradient on, say, a gear ratio of three to one. This means that one revolution of the driving wheel is produced by three revolutions of the engine crankshaft. With the other gear ratios, the intermediate and the low, the number of revolutions of the engine become still greater as compared with the number of driving wheel revolutions.

It is not difficult to compute with exactness the distance which a car is propelled by one explosion of the engine, and the power consumed in hill-climbing. The circumference of a thirty-two-inch wheel is approximately 100 inches, and in covering one mile the driving wheel revolves 632 times. Since the motor turns over three times as fast as the driving wheel, will require 1,899 revolutions of the crankshaft to propel the car one mile. Thus, if, for instance, a touring car should proceed at the rate of thirty miles per hour, approximately 959 engine revolutions are required. With two power strokes per revolution there are 1,900 explosions a minute, or 3,800 explosions per mile, and each explosion propels the car about one foot and four and a half inches.

This estimate presumes that the car is propelled over level ground. To mount a hill means simply that grade resistance is added to the various frictional and other resistances. A automobile weighing 2,100 pounds, including gasoline, oil and water, climbing a hill 200 feet high, (measured vertically), simply performs the task of overcoming the action of gravity, or lifting, and the calculation of the power required to do this must involve the factors from which the horsepower unit is derived. To lift 2,100 pounds 200 feet high in one minute is the same thing as lifting 2,100x200—420,000 pounds one foot high in one minute. Theoretically then, the lifting of 2,100 pounds 200 feet high requires 420,000 divided by 33,000—12.75 horsepower, and the losses through friction, air resistance, etc., consume the remainder of the theoretical horsepower output.

From the foregoing it must become apparent that rushing up a steep hill on the high gear must subject any car to enormous stresses, which are likely to affect the life and the service to a considerable extent. Gear-shifting is not a cumbersome task and the mounting of gradients will be lessened by the use of which they were intended.

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